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H.901 - An act relating to health information technology and health information exchange

As Introduced

The Health Care Claims Tax is a 0.999% tax on all health insurance claims paid by health insurers for its Vermont members for the previous fiscal year ending June 30, paid to the Department of Taxes in one annual installment due by January 1 of each year.

- 0.8% of claims are deposited into the State Health Care Resources Fund (SHCRF) which is used to draw federal match and pay for Medicaid programs.
- 0.199% of claims are deposited into the Health IT-Fund.
- Act 73 of 2013 sunset the 0.199% portion for the Health IT-Fund on July 1, 2017
- Act 73 of 2017 postponed the sunset one year until July 1, 2018

H.901 would extend the claims tax sunset one additional fiscal year until July 1, 2019.

The Health IT-Fund portion of the claims tax (0.199%) is estimated to raise **\$3.45 million** in both FY 2018 and FY 2019.